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# From the President's Chair

# **MMCC Creates New Position**

"If you build it, they will come." Field of Dreams



The greater Waterville area is on the move, and busier than ever. You can see that from the sold out events at Waterville Opera House, area housing pressure, ubiquitous help wanted signs, and restaurants that are packed houses (reservations are becoming a must). The re-envisioned downtown Waterville with its new hotel/restaurant, Green Block + Studios, Paul. J. Schupf Arts Center, Bill & Joan Alfond Main Street Commons, two-way traffic, development by Bill Mitchell and Don & Jamie Plourde – the list could go on and on. All of these improvements are shining a light on our region, and creating a demand to be here, to be a part of it, to check

it out. Waterville has established itself as the home of the Annual Festival on Jewish Life each June, and there has been a significant uptick in inquiries from people to host their statewide conferences and conventions in mid-Maine. Specifically, the Chamber is currently working with:

- Rural Rise, a national conference that gathers in a different rural location annually (April 2024, ~150 people).
- Rotary's District Governor's Conference Rotary Club of Waterville will host its event in downtown Waterville, Waterville Elks, and at Head of Falls. The district spans Quebec and Maine. (June 21 – 24, 2024, ~300 people)
- GrowSmart Maine Will host its annual, day long, statewide conference in October for the next 3 years.
- 2 retrievers conventions June 2024 and possible June 2025.
- An outdoor downtown race still in the preliminary planning stages
- Better Maine Conference presented by Dirigo Labs/Central Maine Growth Council, this day-long event moves around the downtown area highlighting many facilities.

Most of these coordinators don't know our region and need guidance and advice on space constraints, technology, contacts, parking, lodging, etc. and they turn to the Chamber.

To that end, Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce announces that it has



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hired a fifth team member dedicated to area conference, convention, tourism, and events liaising – kind of like a CVB staffer. Mike Guarino will join the team on August 8 as the Community Engagement Specialist. Besides working with these events that are falling in our lap, Mike will be responsible for seeking out right-sized and right socioeconomic demographic events that compliment what the area has to offer. Additionally, Mike will work with area recreation, dining, lodging, arts/cultural amenities and others to put together tourism packages to attract individuals and families to visit and recreate in our region.



**Our end goal:** workforce and tourism development. We want more people – people to live here, work here, spend their money here, fall in love with the region like we have. If we can roll out the red carpet and exceed their expectations when they're here for a conference or a vacation, then perhaps they'll consider living here. Let's face it, many people don't have to go into the office anymore; perhaps they'll relocate with their trailing spouse who will find a job here. We need your help in this. We will strive to keep the lines of communication open so you know who is coming and when, but in return we need your help and all of your employees to exceed expectations and deliver an unbelievable experience. We welcome any thoughts or insights that you may have. Feel free to reach out to me to share.

#### Kimberly N. Lindlof

August Mid-Maine Chamber Calendar		
Mon., Aug. 7	8:30 a.m.	KV Connect Steering Committee
Tues. Aug. 15	12 noon	Joint MMCC/CMGC Exec Boards
Wed., Aug. 16	12:30 p.m.	Executive Committee
Wed., Aug. 23	7:30 a.m.	Marketing & Membership Committee
Thurs., Aug. 24	3:30 p.m.	Board of Directors

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# Start a recycling program at your business

What a weird weather summer. Climate change has us all guessing. At our annual golf tournament, my weather app said full sun but the sky was completely shrouded - by smoke from Canadian wildfires it turns out. The world is changing, but business and nonprofits alike can do our part to help to mitigate climate change with robust recycling efforts. If you drive by the Mid-Maine Chamber office frequently, vou'll observe that the parking lot is full more often than

not. Besides our own meetings, we do a lot of boardroom and

office rentals so there's lots of traffic here. With all of that, however, we only have 2 or 3 bags of trash a week. Why? Because we recycle like crazy! Is your business looking to be more mindful of recycling? Here are some resources for you:

Plastic Packaging: this includes bags, plastic packaging around your cases of water, toilet paper, paper towel rolls, etc.: Shaw's has a bin near its bottle recycling in the middle of the entry hallway.

Electronic Waste: including tablet, laptops, desktops, ty's, phone systems, gaming systems, cell phones, printers, peripherals like mice, mini docks, chargers, etc. - basically anything with a plug: giveIT.getIT at 60 Industrial Road, Waterville (behind Eagle Rental and before the Elks).

Coffee Pods: Have an office Keurig? You can recycle those pods by subscribing to a prepaid service at www.KeurigKCycle.com or (888) 411-6994. It provides you with a lined box,



twist tie and prepaid UPS label to mail your spent k-cups in where the recycler will use the grounds for fertilizer and recycle the plastic. Every bit is repurposed. Sharps/Needles: MaineGeneral (and probably Redington Fairview and Northern Light Inland but I haven't asked) will provide you with one of those red and white collection boxes like they have adhered to the wall in hospitals. But if it's only occasionally that you need to dispose of a sharp, there's a collect bin in the public bathroom at Hannaford Elm Plaza.

#### Drugs/ Vitamins/Supplements:

Nearly every police department in the area has a disposal method for these. There's absolutely no need to wait for those annual drug pick up days at your local pharmacy. Just secure the tops of your bottles and drop them off. I'm partial to the drop off at the Waterville Police Dept. because once you step through the two sets of doors into its lobby, on the left there's a big metal box with a door like a night deposit. Simple. Just pull and drop it in Fairfield, Winslow and Oakland PD, plus Fairfield and Oakland pharmacies also collect.

FREE Lightbulb Recycling + More: Did you know that you can recycle all your light bulbs up to 8' and including those that screw in at Aubuchon Hardware for FREE with no limit to the number of them? They also take mercury thermostats (free and no limit) as well as paint: Water-based, oil-based, stain, urethane, and varnish but must be in sealed containers that don't leak. No spray cans allowed and a limit of 5 containers at a time.

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#### **Calendar of Events**

#### Tuesdays, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Crafternoons,

Waterville Public Library, 73 Elm St, Waterville. Come to the Children's Room to make the craft with help from library staff! FMI: Call 207-872-5433, or email *librarian@watervillelibrary.org*, or go to www.watervillelibrary.org or www.facebook.com/watervillelibrary

Wednesdays, 2-3:30 p.m., Waterville Chess Club meets to play at the Muskie Community Center. Chessboards provided. To register call 207-873-4745 or visit 38 Gold St., Waterville.

#### Thursdays, 7 - 7:30 p.m. Book Bites! (Facebook Read-A-Loud) Waterville Public Library

Each week Mrs. Liz will read an excerpt from one book off of the New Chapter Books shelves. See the video on FMI: Call 207-872-5433, or email *librarian@watervillelibrary.org*, or go to *watervillelibrary.org* or *facebook.com/watervillelibrary* 

Thursdays thru November, 2-6 p.m. Waterville Farmers' Market Head of Falls, downtown Waterville

FMI: watervillefarmersmarket.org

#### Wednesday, Aug 2, 1-2 p.m.

**Curious Kids Hour. Waterville Public Library,** 73 Elm St, Waterville. Lucky Platt, author of "Imagine a Wolf", the book on display at the North Street Connector Trail StoryWalk. For children ages 8 to 13. Adult guardians must remain with their child. Maine Discovery Museum is providing kits at the events. FMI: *watervillelibrary.org* 

#### Every Wednesday in August, Town of Norridgewock presents Oosoola Park Music Series

FREE! 6 – 7:30 p.m., Oosoola Park, Ferry Rd., Norridgewock August 2. Crooked Bill August 9. Mike Rodrigue August 16. The Shack August 23. Bob Colwell Duo August 30. The Social Club FMI: townofnorridgewock.com/musicseries

#### Every Thursday in Aug., 6-8 p.m. Pittsfield

Summer Concert Series at Hawthorn Park. Aug. 3 Crossroads Aug. 10 Scott Cole Aug. 17 Worn Out Souls Aug. 24 Studio Two Aug. 31 Cold Engines

Thursdays in August, Art in the Park. 3-5 p.m. presented by Waterville Creates, Waterville Public Library and Colby College Museum of Art. Aug. 3 Veggie Print Flags Aug. 10 Nature Collage Aug. 17 Celebrate Sol LeWitt Located at Castonguay Square, downtown Waterville. FMI: *watervillecreates.org* 

Tuesday August 1, 2023 - Saturday September 30, Cross for LifeFlight Fundraising virtual event. In addition to your month-long Crossing plans of your choosing, we invite you to join us for various in-person events through August. BIKE: Sunday, August 6 from 9 a.m.-12 noon for a group cycle through Androscoggin County. PADDLE: Portland Paddle, Sunday, August 20 from 3-6 p.m.

**HIKE:** Thursday, August 17 in the Belgrade area. First-come, first-served. A limited number of spots, so be sure to secure your spot when you register! There will be no additional registration fee or additional fundraising over the \$350 required minimum for attending these events. FMI and to register go to **crossforlifeflight.org** 

Wednesday, Aug. 2, noon-11 pm Taste of Waterville. Presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. Head of Falls, downtown Waterville. Food-Music-Craft Vendors-Cornhole-Brew Tasting. FMI: *tasteofwaterville.com* 

Aug. 4, 9a.m.—2 p.m. Waterville Rotary Blood Drive, Best Western Plus, 375 Main Street, Waterville. FMI: *rcrouse@kennebecwater.org* 

Aug. 4 Celebrate First Friday in Downtown Waterville, Main St. Waterville, Waterville Creates' First Fridays celebrate the vibrant creativity in Waterville through a wide array of arts experiences. On the first Friday of every month, visit Main Street in downtown Waterville to meet artists, see performances, listen to live music, eat delicious food, shop at local businesses, enjoy the arts, and come together as a community. FMI: *watervillecreates.org*.

Aug. 5 & 6 10 a.m.—5 p.m. Hathaway Mill Antiques 6th Anniversary celebration. 10 Water Street, Waterville. FMI: Call 207-877-0250. www.hathawaymillantiques.com or email info@hathawaymillantiques.com.

Aug. 9, 2-3 p.m. Concert with Matt Loosigian of Earth Jams at the Waterville Public Library, 73 Elm St., Waterville. FMI: *earthjams.com* 

Aug. 11-18, Waterville Area Soup Kitchen Pampered Chef Virtual Fundraiser. FMI: www.pamperedchef.com/party/wtvlsoupkitchen

Aug. 12, AYCC Family Fun Fair, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the field between the Alfond Municipal Pool Complex and the North Street Recreation Area playground. Rain location AYCC gymnasium. Ticketed activities to raise money for the annual appeal. Food trucks will be available. FMI: *clubaycc.org* 

Aug. 17, 5-8 p.m., Maine Children's Home Community Block Party, 93 Silver St. Waterville. Fun activities and resources that build and strengthen families in Maine. FMI: call 207-873-4253 or visit mainechildrenshome.org.

Aug. 27, 12 p.m., Sink & Sip Snow Pond Cornhole Tournament, Snow Pond Center for the Arts, 8 goldenrod Land, Sidney. FMI: contact dylan.abbot@snowpond.org.

#### UPCOMING RIBBON CUTTINGS

Thursday, September 7 at 1:30 p.m. Kennebec Water District 131 Drummond Ave., Waterville



# **Upcoming Fall Chamber Events!**

# **Member News**

Leadership Luncheon An Event Series of MMCC

September 6 – 11:30 to 1 p.m. Amici's Cucina, 137 Main Street, Waterville Tricia Costigan – Senior VP of Northern Light Health, President of Northern Light

**Inland Hospital and Northern Light Continuing Care, Lakewood** Tricia will share insights into all that is happening at Northern Light and her challenges and successes along the way to her current position. Registration- \$25 for members; \$30 non-members and at the door. Register today online *www.midmainechamber.com* or call the chamber at 873-3315.

#### **Business Breakfast**



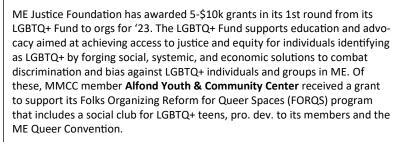


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Business After Hours An Event Series of MMCC

September 20 – 5:30-7 p.m. Hosted by Waterville Elks #905 76 Industrial Rd., Waterville Join MMCC and friends for a Business After Hours. This event offers a great opportunity to mix and mingle with other business professionals. We will

also be offering the mic to members who want to speak and let us know what your business has been doing.



**New Balance** plans to invest \$65 million to add 120,000 additional square feet to the existing mill building and site, which currently employs 250 people and renovate 20k existing square feet. This will double production capacity and add more than 200 new jobs to the center.

**KVCAP'**s recent 9th Annual Golf Tournament raised \$23k to support a microtransit pilot project.

HealthReach Community Health Centers launches their new website. The new site reflects their mission-driven, values-focused efforts by removing barriers to care and providing for high-quality, affordable healthcare in rural Central and Western Maine. Visit *www.HealthReach.org* to see the change for yourself!





AUGUST '23 SPEAKER SERIES: PROFIT DECODER JAY FRIEDLANDER, CO-FOUNDER Thursday, August 10 | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Bricks Coworking & Innovation Space Hathaway Creative Center,



**10 Water St., Waterville** Join CEO Jay Friedlander as he discusses how Profit Decoder is creating efficiencies to revolutionize your business and empower

you with valuable insights into your finances. **About Profit Decoder:** Profit Decoder is a game-changing software designed to revolutionize your business and empower you with valuable insights. From financial analysis to strategic decision-making, this cutting-edge tool will be your secret weapon for maximum profitability.

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### MAINEDOT UPDATE: TICONIC BRIDGE CLOSING

Starting on August 7, 2023 at 6 a.m., through August 12, 2023 at 6 a.m., the project will be closing the Ticonic bridge to all traffic for construction activities requiring access to the entire bridge. During this time, pedestrians will NOT be allowed to transit the bridge. Both pedestrians and vehicles will be required to follow the posted detour routes. The detour routes can be found in the traffic control drawings on the MaineDOT website (Plans F-H). Message boards will be used to warn drivers of the closure.

The Maine Department of Transportation will be replacing the Ticonic Bridge (#2854) located on Route 201 over the Kennebec River at the Waterville-Winslow town line.

The Ticonic Bridge will be replaced on alignment, with a new two span, steel girder with concrete bridge deck structure. A single concrete pier will be built in the river to support the new bridge. This new structure will replace the aging Ticonic Bridge, portions of which are over 100 years old and at the end of their useful life. The new bridge will carry five lanes of traffic similar to the existing bridge, feature widened shoulders for bicyclists, and include sidewalks on both sides of the bridge.

The new Ticonic Bridge will be built one half at a time. During construction limiting the number of lanes on the bridge will be necessary to provide the space needed by the contractor to demolish the existing bridge and to build the new one. While construction is underway, two lanes of eastbound traffic will be maintained across the bridge with westbound traffic detoured south to the Carter Memorial Bridge. During the first half of construction, pedestrians will be detoured to the nearby Two Cent Bridge pedestrian crossing. The bridge will be closed to all traffic and pedestrians for up to 25 weeks during construction to support the safe and efficient completion of critical construction activities.



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# **People News**

LifeFlight of Maine is pleased to announce that Joe Kellner will take on the role of its CEO beginning Oct. 1, 2023, replacing Tom Judge, founder and executive director. Congratulations!

Apollo Salon and Spa welcomes back Paul Kenyon, master stylist. He is accepting former and new clients at the salon on 91 Silver Street, Waterville, 207-872-2242.

Kennebec Behavioral Health is pleased to announce its 2023 college scholarship recipients. The following area students will each receive a \$1000 scholarship upon successful completion of their first semester at their chosen college or university. These students will be pursuing a major in a field related to mental health.

- Ally Rodrigue Erskine Academy (South China) attending Thomas College
- Brooklyn Allen, Lawrence High School (Fairfield) attending Thomas College
- Ethan Hobart, Waterville Senior High . School attending University of Southern Maine
- . Noella Pepin, Winslow High School attending Colby College

Sheridan Construction hired Nicholas Bolliger as a marketing and sales asst. responsi-

ble for social media/advertising and Andrew Wiggin as a project manager responsible for oversight and management of active and upcoming projects. Welcome aboard!

KVCAP extends a warm and heartfelt welcome to its newest employees: Brooke Ashe, Serenity Brown, Isabelle Cunningham, John Dalzell, Elliot Demo, Stacy Depner, Kimberly Fickett, Jessica Howe, Steven Lancaster, Cathy Michaud, Lewis Robichaud, Linda Warren.

Christina O'Brien of Waterville received her Core Competencies Certification from the NE Professional Dev. group recently, according to a news release from the ME Small Business Development Centers, a free statewide program that helps entrepreneurs start and grow their businesses. O'Brien serves small businesses in northern Kennebec and Somerset counties; her office is housed within the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce building at 50 Elm St. in Waterville.

The 12th annual Travis Mills Foundation Miles for Mills Memorial Day Weekend 5K, presented by New Balance Foundation, drew more than 1,300 registrants and raised \$160k for the Travis Mills Foundation. Way to go!



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#### **Member Spotlight:**

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Did you know that asbestos exposure can lead to lung cancer? It is estimated that over 39,000 Americans die from asbestos-related disease each year. It is not uncommon to find asbestos in siding, roof shingles, flooring, ceiling tiles, and insulation from homes built before 1980. It is always best to be cautious when conducting home improvement projects. Conveniently, NEL holds a State of Maine DEP issued license for processing asbestos samples and our technicians can offer guidance when collecting and sending samples for evaluation.

Did you know that mold sensitivities vary from person to person? While some individuals experience delayed or immediate responses to being ex-

# NEL would like to remind you that testing your home for harmful contami-nants such as radon, lead, arsenic, bacteria, mold, and asbestos should be at the top of your priority list this summer. Many are natural occurrences that are pacente identify using NEL/s comparison

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posed to mold, others experience no symptoms. Many common symptoms include asthma, allergies, and irritation. NEL has a certified Indoor Air Quality lab in Westbrook that can process your mold surface samples for detection and identification.

Did you know that just because your drinking water tastes and smells fine doesn't necessarily mean it is safe to drink? It is recommended to perform a full water test every 3 to 5 years and a basic safety test annually as water quality can change quickly and without warning. NEL offers easy-touse collection kits as well as helpful instruction on how to test, where to test, and how to interpret results. Standard water test results can be expected in 1-2 business days!

If you are wondering how safe your home is, please don't hesitate to call NEL today. Our friendly and knowledgeable technicians are available to assist with any questions or support you may need. To learn more, please visit www.nelabservices.com or call (207) 873-7711.



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**Leadership Luncheon** 

# Wednesday, September 6 – 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Join us for a delicious lunch and presentation with Tricia Costigan, Senior VP of Northern Light Health, President of Northern Light Inland Hospital and Northern Light Continuing Care, Lakewood.

Tricia will share insights into all that is happening at Northern Light and her challenges and successes along the way to her current position.

Register today! \$25 for Chamber members; \$30 for non-members or at the door.

Registration includes lunch.

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Tricia Costigan – Northern Light



#### **TOPIC: Building Brand Loyalty and Discovering Your Audience (Session II)**



Paula Slayton -Managing Partner Trampoline



Derek Slayton Creative Director Trampoline

When: Thursday, September 14, 7:15 - 9:00 a.m. Where: Best Western Plus, 375 Main St., Waterville

Join the Mid-Maine Chamber for an engaging business presentation with Trampoline Advertising Managing Partner Paula Slayton and Creative Director Derek Slayton as they discuss marketing benchmarks and tactics to determine the audience tuning in to your message and responding.

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Please come prepared with your questions and take this opportunity to network with other business leaders.

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Business After Hours: A great place to network and market your business. After Hours is hosted, or co-hosted, by chamber members in our region and is one of many benefits we offer our Chamber members. Hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, and other beverages are available, or you could win the 50/50 raffle and fabulous door prizes donated by area businesses. Make sure to bring your business cards!

#### Please join us from 5:30-7:00 p.m.



Mark your calendar to attend a Business After Hours you'll be glad you did. Great Food—Great Door Prizes 50/50 Great Networking !

Grow your professional business circle, one event at a time...

September 20:

October 18:

**November:** 

**December 13:** 



Waterville Elks Lodge 905 76 Industrial Street, Waterville

Bangor Savings Bank and Children's Discovery Museum 7 Eustis Parkway, Waterville

**No Event** 

O'Donnell Lee, P.A. 325E Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville

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Looking for a way to bring attention to your business in 2024?

# Hosting a Mid-Maine Chamber Business After Hours event should be one of your goals!

#### Be creative: if you don't have the space, or the budget, plan to partner with another Chamber member business.

A Business After Hours event:

- Offers great exposure for your business
- Improves networking opportunities
- Makes your business top of mind with prospective customers
- Identifies you as a major participant among area businesses

Complete your application now - slots will fill up quickly!

#### Go to

www.midmainechamber.com/Business After Hours for the application form.

Please specify desired dates and submit prior to September 15.

You will be contacted with an assigned date following the BAH Committee meeting at the end of the month.



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For more details on this exciting opportunity, contact:

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